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Wheras by an act of Parliament made in the fift yere of the Queenes Maiesties raigne, it was among other thynges enacted, that from the first day of Iulie in the yere of our Lorde God. 1564. it should be lawfull to all and euery of her highnesse Subiectes, at his & their wyll and pleasure to carry & transport out of this Realme, in the shippes or other vessells of any the Subiectes of the same, all and every kynde of herryng & other sea fishe, to be taken vpon the seas by any of the Subiectes aforesayde, and all and euery person and persons which shoulde by vertue of that act transport or carry any herrynges or other sea fishe from or out of any port or Harborough of this Realme, to any place out of the dominions of her Maiestie, shoulde be free from payment of any Cusome, Subsidie, or Pondage money for the same fishe so carried or transported, duryng the space of foure yeres then next folowyng. and so further duryng her Maiesties pleasure, as by the same act appeareth: Her Maiestie hauyng ben well informed of the great benefite whiche therby hath ensued to her Subiectes, is well pleased, and doth by these presentes geue her louyng Subiectes to vnderstante, that it shalbe lawfull for them and euery of them, to continue & enjoy the whole effect and benefite of the sayde prouisions in the sayde act, in such sorte as is before expressed, vntyll such tyme as vpon further cause her Maiestie shall chynke meete to repeale or alter the same.

And wheras it was at the same tyme further enacted for the benefite & commoditie of this Realme, as is in that act diuersly expressed, that the fishe dayes in every weeke, aswell those whiche of auncient tyme were by lawe allowed and continued, as also the wednesday in every weeke then limited by the sayde act to be obserued and kept as a fishe day, shoulde be well and duely kept as fishe dayes. wherof none of her Maiesties Subiectes can pretende any ignorauice: whiche ordinances, namely that for the wednesday, haue not ben, nor be so well in most partes of the Realme obserued, as for the benefite of the common weale were meete, but rather broken, to the manifest contempt of the lawes: Therfore her Maiestie straughtly chargeth and commaundeth, aswell all her louyng Subiectes to haue due regarde to the ordinances of the sayde act for kepyng of those fishe dayes, vpon the payne that may folowe, as also all and euery the Justices of the peace, and other Justices, officers, and ministers, to whom the execution therof apparteyneth, to be diligent to enquire and punishe the offendours in that behalfe, as they and euery of them wyll aunsweare for the contrary.

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GOD save the Queene.

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